

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Amended) 1. A tubing system for use in a subterranean environment, comprising:

an upper tubing section having an upper power cable segment therein;

a lower tubing section having a lower power cable segment therein; and

an intermediate tubing section having an electrical connector that is axially expandable therein, wherein the upper and the lower tubing sections are coupled to generally opposite ends of the intermediate tubing section and the electrical connector is electrically coupled to the upper and lower power cable segments.

If an extension of time is required to enable this paper to be timely filed and there is no separate Petition for Extension of Time filed herewith, this paper is to be construed as also constituting a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for a period of time sufficient to enable this document to be timely filed.

It is believed that no fee is due; however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Schlumberger Technology Corporation Deposit Account No. 50-0457.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.